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LIFE STILL WORTH LIVING.

It is curious. Times are certainly hard, Few men are making money. Thousands of would-be willing-workers are out of employment. Wages are low. In every city there are great numbers of unoccupied dwelling-houses, many idle factories, much distress. But the excursion senson seems to have opened auspiciously, and on yesterday and the day before millions of people had outings. Towns people swarmed into the country, and country people swarmed into the towns. Moreover, the sales of bicycles continue

we see in Richmond, street-car lines never were so liberally patronized as now. All of these things cost money-a great deal Are the times really as hard as they are

An answer to this question is not easy. At least, we have not found it so. The he has been sent another "collective best solution of the problem we can sug- note," commanding him to hurry up, it is gest is that the people have come to con- very doubtful whether he will obey the street-car rides as necessaries of life,

Time was when a man who lived at Hill and worked at the Chesapeake and Ohlo railway shops, for instance, "footed" the whole distance, morning and night and never thought of murmuring. It is different now. Chesp street-railway fares by the employment of that agency. And have entired even the most rigid economists to abandon pedestrianism for a seat in the speedy and comfortable trolley ury-so people would have thought it not practice of economy in other directions. prices of many articles of household recessity is spent in this way.

Hard as the times are-and with many we know they really are very, very hardthe people of this generation have comforts and conveniences that preceding and possibly more prosperous generations did not know. To begin with, we have more comfortable homes. Dwellinghouses are constructed with more conveniences. Think of the gas, water, baths, ranges, &c., that were by no means common thirty or forty years ago. Now, schooling is free. Then, here in

the South, public schools were not numerous, not very popular. When the Virginia tax-payer feels inclined to "klck" about the size of his tax bill, and compares these times with the so-called haleyon days of the republic, let him consider that then the average head of a family formerly not only paid his taxes, but paid of its more prominent features are given for the schooling of his children! Now by a contributor to the Nation, as folwe have not only free common schools lows: and high schools, but colleges and universities that are very nearly free for Virginia students.

The State of Virginia appropriates out of the public Treasury every year for collegiate institutions about \$250,000, including the "excess of interest" upon college bonds. The total amount of taxpayers' money expended in Virginia for ducational purposes by the State and the countles, cities, and districts is about \$2,000,000 per annum!

This is a great sum of money to raise and pay out every year, but it is a good investment. Yet the average taxpayer gives no thought to it when he bewails our "high rate of taxation." Doubtless much public money is uselessly or extravagantly expended, but when one asks "Where does it all go?" let him be answered that, as for one item, \$2,000,000 per annum goes to educate the children of this Commonwealth.

So let us enumerate among the blessings of this day more comfortable homes, free education, and cheap conenlences for getting about. Further, the people are better dressed than formerly. There are not many folk who would be willing now to wear the homespun clothes and cow-skin boots that ere good enough for our fathers. And in those days a gentleman did not change his silk hat-beg pardon, beaver-every eason or two; but when he had got one he wore it proudly for five or ten years. And then we have more rest and leisure now than was formerly accorded to workingmen. Many men now living served their apprenticeship at a time when a day's work was "from sur to sun," and holldays were few in number. Oh, yes; times have improved; but

provement. We should like to see want idleness, and crime banished from the land. We should like to see the people have the means to increase the number of their outings and street-car rides. We should like to see agriculture profitable

soon turn, and then flow enward at a reasonable speed. The country cannot but be profited by the adjournment of Congress. True, it will leave behind it a very malodorous tariff law, but better that than constant agitation-constant threats against the peace and prosperity of the industrial world. So far as the tariff is concerned, we shall soon know what to expect for wishing their post-office changed must four years to come, and it is to be hoped the situation as soon as possible, and do the best they can in life's race, despite the Hanna-Dingley handlcap.

ELECTIONS AND ELECTIONS. There was an election throughout this State in May last, and there's to be another in November. Next year Richmond and many other cities and towns will have local elections in May, and in November there will be elections throughout the State for congresamen. And so it goes.

It strikes us that some of these elections might be consolidated with others, and thus save tax-payers a good deal of money, to say nothing of time now spent by many people in electioneering. When the Legislature comes to consider retrenchment measures and constitutional amendments, let it give some attention to this matter.

We know, of course, that the question is not without difficulty, but the same may be said whenever and wherever ar attempt is made to save money for the tax-payers. But many other States have fewer elections than we have, and why may we not profit by their example?

Our State Constitution provides that city treasurers shall be elected for terms of three years. Here in Richmond, once in six years the election for Treasurer falls cotemporaneously with that of Mayor, Sergeant, councilmen, etc. But the alternate election occurs when we have to elect a treasurer and no other officer. The only officer voted for at the last election here was the Treasurer, but it happened in this instance that the voters were called to the polls to vote also upon the question of calling a convention to revise and amend the Constitution.

What is needed is an amendment allowing the Legislature to fix the term of City Treasurer. Then the Legislature could prescribe a four years' term or a two years' term, as might seem to it wise and best. Then that election could always take place when municipal elections are held, and the result would be the saving of money to cities, as well as to candidates.

Now that Queen Victoria's jubilee celebration is over, and Emperor William of wonderfully large, and, judging by what | Germany has about settled his little Cabinet crisis, the Graeco-Turkish problem is again attracting attention. The Turkish forces have not evacuated Thessaly, and it of it, too. Where does it all come from? begins to look as if evacuation was still some distance in the future. Abdul Hamid has been at his old game of playing the Powers against one another, and although sider occasional outings and regular command, unless forced so to do by armed pressure on the part of the concert.

The Sultan reasons, it is said, that as the West End of Clay street, or on Oregon | it was impossible to get the Powers to agree among themselves to force the Greeks out of Crete by applying brute force, it is not likely that they will easily agree to force the Turks out of Thessal many outside students of the situation who are familiar with the jealousies of the parties to the concert one of ancar. We suppose indulgence in this lex- other, and understand their respective ambitions regarding Southeastern Europe. so very many years ago-necessitates the are inclined to reason the same way. The end of the complication is therefore as It may be that what is saved in the low difficult to foresee as ever. The lees that the Powers would consent to the permanent extension of Moslem rule over Thessaly seems preposterous. Indeed, some of the Powers have announced positively that such a thing is not to be thought of. Yet, how is it to be prevent ed without engendering conditions that might set the Powers at one another's throats? That's the question.

> The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the French School of Archaeology, at Athens, which was booked to occur in April last, but had to be postponed on account of the war excitement, will, it is now said, take place in September, next, provided matters in Greece shall have quieted down permanently by that time. The programme for the expected April celebration was a most elaborate one, and some

> "Arrangements had been made for the holding of an archaeological congress to which the archaeologists of the entire world were invited. The meetings of the congress were to extend over three days, during which the ways and means of promoting the interests of the science of classical archaeology in the field and in the library were to be discussed by the most distinguished specialists. The in-vited guests and the Athenian world were to be entertained by the production of the "Oedipus Tyrannus" in the theatre of Dionysins, on the ground where it was first listened to by immortal men in those mighty days of Greece's distant past. The actors of the celebrated Theatre Français, with Mounet-Sully in the role of "Oedipus," were to be lim-

ported to Athens. It is assumed that if the celebration comes off in September, the original programme will be adhered to as far as

possible.

During the fiscal year just closed, pension disbursements crept up \$1.619,037, and were \$66,000,000 in excess of the pension payments of 1887, when, as the New York Evening Post remarks, no unbiased human being, in or out of Washington. dreamed of affirming that the payments were too small.

True. But what about the bummers and the biased politicians, who depend on working the bummer vote? These worthies do not hesitate to affirm that the pension payments are too small now.

They celebrated the Fourth at the leading Colorado mines by indulging in snowshoe races. They had the necessary snow. This is all sorts of a country of ours.

American weather must be expected to become fervid for the Fourth. It would i not be patriotic to wish to have it atherthere is, of course, room for further im- | wise.

### JUDGE E. C. BURKS.

In the death of ex-Judge Edward C. Burks, of the Supreme Court of Appeals, which occurred at his home in Bedford, Sunday afternoon, a strong man and a noble type of the old school Vir-

ginian passed away. Judge Burks never occupied a prominent position in the eyes of the general public. Save for the term he served his State in the General Assembly, his life and his way were far from the madding crowd. He was a mcdest, unostentatious gentleman, for whom the subdued and steady flame of the student's lamp had infinitely more attractions than the glaring, but varying, light of political

None the less, his will be an enduring memory. He leaves a name and a reputation of which Virginia will ever be proud, and which will ever shed forth a pure and guiding lustre from the nner shrine of her temple of justice, where, for six years, he so faithfully ministered. An able, upright, and fearless judge, a profound lawyer, possessed of unusually robust native intellect, conscientious to the last degree in prose cuting his researches and reaching his onclusions, and with a private character as spottess as the ermine he wore, Judge Burks put honor upon the Virginia Bar and Bench, was an ornament to Virginia citizenship, and illustrated the highest attributes of true manhood

The Guldensuppe murder continues to interest the people of New York, and to furnish occasion for the papers of that city to criticize one another.

It is now believed that the crime was committed in a vacant house at Woodside, L. I. Mrs. Nack, who is under arrest charged with the murder, had been bargaining with a real estate agent, with the view of renting this house, and thither Guldensuppe was probably decoyed and killed by Mrs. Nack and William Thorn. A part of the bath-room floor has been found to be blood-stained, and a chemist has made an examination of the wood which shows that the stain was of blood But he does not pretend to be able to say whether it was human blood or not. Thorn is still at large. All the efforts of the police to "locate" him have proved

it first occurred that the butchered body might be that of Guldensuppe was one of Guldensuppe's fellow-workmen in the Murray Hill Hotel baths. This man, after reading a description of the body in an afternoon paper, declared his belief that it was Guldensuppe's. He expressed customers, who went out and told a newspaper réporter, and thus "the light was

If Thorn is captured, and we think he will be, we venture to say it will be in consequence of the publicity that has been given to the murder and to his flight by the newspapers. So far nearly all the work of procuring evidence to establish the identity of the body and the guilt of Thorn and Mrs. Nack has been done by reporters.

Sunday was the hottest day in ten years at Wheeling, W. Va., and many people were overcome there, though no atalities are reported. At 12:30 P. M. the Weather Bureau thermometer registered 101 1-2 degrees, and at 6 P. M. 100. It was also very hot at Louisville, where the thermometer registered 29 degress at 1:30 P. M. and 93 at 7 P. M.; at Cincinnati, where the mercury stood at 77 from 2 to 4 P. M., and reached its highest point-98-at 5 P. M., and at Upper Sandusky, O., where the thernometer is said to have indicated 105 at 2 P. M. In St. Louis the average temperature during the day is reported to have been 98, and the intense heat is said to have led to some odd happenings in the Missouri metropolis. One man could not endure the torridity and hanged himself in a cool cellar. Another slept by a window, dreamed he was a diver, and plunged down three stories. Still another man waded into the river, and fought when he was fished out as a supposed suicide. Actual heat prostrations were numerous and three deaths resuited. In Chicago there was one death from the heat.

In this day of universal bicycle riding. a little scorching, even though it is done by the sun, should not be particularly objected to.

The "Fourth" was gloriously quiet for those who stald in town.

It was the liquid fireworks that did the

CHANCE FOR MRS. MAYBRICK.

most damage yesterday.

Ambassader Hay's Request for Her Pardon May Be Granted. In a special dispatch from London the

New York Journal says: Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American woman sentenced in 1889 to be hanged for polsoning her husband, in Liverpool, but whose sentence was afterwards com-

muted, stands a better chance of libera-tion now than at any time since her in-John Hay has interested himself Aersonally in the case of Mrs. Mayorick and as Ambassador of the United States has formally petitioned the Crown for the pardon of the woman. The question of the guilt or innocence of the prisoner is not considered in Colonel Hay's petiion. It is simply a request on the part of many American people, through their accredited representative, for her release The British Government has not refused o accept the petition, which is a circum-

stance favorable to Mrs. Maybrick, since Ambassador Hay handed the petition to Ambassador hay handed the petition to the head of the department to which he is accredited, Lord Salisbury, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. Lord Salis-bury acknowledged its receipt, and in-formed Colonel Hay that he had presented it to the Home Secretary, Sir Matthew White Ridley. There the matter rests

## Consummate Tact.

(Boston Transcript.) Stammer: No. Didwell isn't much of a dentist, but he is possessed of consummate tact. It has been the making of

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tient's feeth, he tells him or her, as the case may be, that a very painful operation is necessary. He goes on to tell how much it is going to hart, and then, when it doesn't hurt a bit, as Digwell know it wouldn't, the patient is just tickled almost to death, and goes off and tells everybody what a skilful dentist Dr.

Appreciated.

(Hartford Religious Herald.) A young man entered a fashionable church, and finding no ushers, took a seat. A pompous man presently came in and took the same pew. After fageting about nervously the pompous person took out a card, wrote on it, and handed it to the young man, who read: "I know that I pay \$500 for this pew?" The young man handed th with this legend: "It is worth it."

### Justified.

(New York Weekly.) Englishman: Some of our English girls are quite expert with the gun, don't you Lady Eva Wyndham Linn sho six man-eating tigers in India.

American Girl: If they were eating nice men she did just right.

One Right in the Family. (Cleveland Plain Dealer.) "And now, children, what is a centurion? Well, Willie?" 'Please, ma'am, my brother is one."

"Yes, ma'am, he made a century last Sunday."

In the Glossary Class.

"Your brother is one."

(Brooklyn Life.) Jones: How is it that you never play golf, Miss Smith? I thought that you

Miss Smith: Oh, yes! But I've calv so far learned enough for conversational pur

If She Only Could.

(Brooklyn Life.) He: Away you go to the seashore, Mrs. Tiffington, and leave your hard-working husband chained to his desk. She: Chained? No. indeed; If you only could be, I'd have some peace of mind.

Dr. Hawthorne and Gov. Atkinson. The Baptist and Reflector, published

The Baptist and Reflector, published nt Nashville, says:

Last Saturday was Georgia-Day at the Centennial. A large number of citizens of the Empire State of the South were in attendance, including Governor Atkinson and his staff. The day was quite a success. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of this city, was requested to deliver the address of welcome to the visitors, In doing so he said: "A manly man is the noblest work of God." In his response Governor Atkinson took Issue with him, and said: "Down in Georgia they believe that a womanly weman is the noblest work of God." The audience applauded the sentiment vigorously. Dr. Hawthorne rose and remarked: "I thought it was understood that the men embrace the women." It was some little time before Governor Atkinson had an opportunity to reply, owing to the violent laughter of the audience. When he did, he said: "That may be true, but I did not expect a minister to acknowledge it publicly." The papers stated that it was three minutes before he could proceed with his speech. Dr. Hawthorne subsided, and the incident was over, except as a theme for cenversation and laughter among those who heard it and those who read it in the papers. We may add that this is about the first time we have ever known any one to get away with Dr. Hawthorne.

A gentleman called upon Dr. Hawthorne the other day to get him to join an honest man's league for the purpose of securing honesty in politics. Dr. Hawthorne approved cordially of the purpose of the league, and promised to attend the meeting. When the gentleman left he took Dr. Hawthorne's new hat and left an old one in its place. Dr. Hawthorne len't quite so certain now about joining the league. At any rate, he says he

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